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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy to the DCI for Resource Management

FROM:

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Chairman, DASITTSUBJECT: DCI ADP-T Support to Imagery Task Team (DASITT)
Monthly Report for January 20-February 19, 1980

1. The task team considering the impact of the new satellite imagery mix in the mid 1980's upon ADP-T systems focused upon consolidating data and constructing various ADP-T support alternatives. We await delivery of COMIREX's paper on its operations concept for 1985, due out at the end of February, to ensure that our support alternatives are consistent with the plans for future imagery operations.

2. The DASITT met for [REDACTED] to concentrate on developing a cost methodology and other evaluation criteria. Representatives of several Community organizations joined the DASITT on February 5 and their participation was most helpful. Since the conference [REDACTED] the DASITT has been working to implement the various steps of the evaluation procedure. [REDACTED]

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3. The status of work on the various study tasks is summarized below. (U)

Task 1. Development of a Program Plan

Work on the program plan has been completed. [REDACTED]

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Task 2. Documentation of Existing and Planned ADP Systems

Only two briefings and discussions of ADP systems supporting the imagery intelligence cycle were held during this past month. (See Attachment.) Memoranda for the record are being completed on both of these briefings. [REDACTED]

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Task 3: Consideration of ADP Capacity Demands

The data gathered during the past few months is being used as a basis for projecting the ADP capacity required in 1985. Once these projections are complete, we plan to contact the major organizations concerned to discuss our projections and the assumptions used in making them. [REDACTED]

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Task 4: Consideration of Telecommunications Needs

Data on the current costs of telecommunications are being analyzed to determine whether they are sufficient to project 1985 needs. Exact requirements for 1985 telecommunications is dependent upon the support alternative chosen. [REDACTED]

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Task 5: Documentation of the Characteristics of Future Imagery Systems

Information on future imagery systems is vital to the work of the DASITT insofar as specific characteristics of those systems require changes in ADP-T systems. The cooperation of the NRO in providing details on the new systems has been entirely satisfactory, but specifications for broad area search and joint tasking remain-ill-defined. [REDACTED]

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Task 6: Documentation of 1985 User Needs for Imagery Intelligence

The DASITT projections of ADP users needs in 1985, based upon data previously supplied, form the basis for estimating the size of ADP systems required to support the new collection systems. Each major user organization will be contacted to discuss our projections and the assumptions used in making them. [REDACTED]

Task 7: Development of Alternative Support Scenarios

Alternative support scenarios have been drafted and they are being used as a basis for projecting ADP-T system requirements in 1985. [REDACTED]

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Task 8. Development of Resource Planning

The costs of the various support alternatives will be computed during March. The expenses will then be apportioned over fiscal years. [REDACTED]

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Task 9: Development of a Methodology

The details on a cost methodology are essentially complete. Work is proceeding on developing additional criteria for evaluating each support alternative. Computer programing support is being provided to integrate user data as defined in the support alternatives into the cost model. A first set of output reports are due in early March. [REDACTED]

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Task 10: Evaluation of Alternatives

Work on this task has begun. [REDACTED]

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3. Any questions concerning this report should be addressed to the Chairman, DASITT, [REDACTED]

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